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SUBJECT: MILITARY EXPENDITURE LIMITATIONS (MEL) - SUBMISSION TO
UNSYG FOR USE BY EXPERTS GROUP AND SSOD DEVELOPMENTS

REF: STATE 169345

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED BRAZILIAN PROVISION OF TECHNICAL COMMENTS ON UNSY
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REPORT IN CONTECT OF TALKING POINTS CONTAINED REFTTEL (INCLUDING
SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS IN PARA 7) WITH CARLOS ALBERTO SIMAS MAGALHAES,
ITAMARATY'S DISARMAMENT AFFAIRS EXPRT IN DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL
ORGANIZATIONS AFFAIRS. MAGALHAES INDICATED THAT BRAZIL HAD DECIDED
NOT TO PROVIDE DATA THIS YEAR, BUT WOULD RESERVE ITS POSITION FOR
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OUT YEARS BASED UPON WHAT OTHER COUNTRIES DID THIS YEAR.
ACCORDING TO MAGALHAES, GOB SAW EXPENDITURE REPORT INFORMATION
AS MORE APPROPRIATE FOR SUPERPOWERS TO PROVIDE THAN THE COUNTRIES
WITH SMALLER DENFENSE PROGRAMS. HE DID NOT DENY EMBOFF'S
OBSERVATION THAT GOB POSITION CONSTITUTED A DOUBLE STANDARD ON
ISSUE. MAGALHAES POINTED OUT THAT GOB MILITARY EXPENDITURES WERE
A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD PUBLISHED IN GOB BUDGET.

2. IN GENERAL REVIEW OF ARMS LIMITATION DEVELOPMENTS MAGALHAES SAID SOVIETS WERE MAKING "BILATERAL GESTURES" TO BRAZIL ABOUT A TREATY ON THE RENUNCIATION OF FORCE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF SSOD. BRAZIL WAS SKEPTICAL ABOUT PROPOSITION AND HAD NOT REPLIED TO SOVIETS. MAGALHAES SPECULATED THAT SUCH A TREATY WOULD BE PROVOCATIVE IN SSOD BECAUSE SOVIETS WOULD HAVE TO ACCEPT MODIFICATIONS AND EXCEPTIONS TO PRINCIPLES ESPOUSED WHICH PERMITTED USE OF FORCE BY "LIBERATION" MOVEMENTS AND AMONG THIRD WORLD IN DEFENSE OF ECONOMIC RESOURCES.

3. MAGALHAES VOLUNTEERED GOB WAS DUBIOUS ABOUT THE INTRODUCTION OF US NEUTRON BOMB INTO ITS EUROPEAN THEATRE NUCLEAR FORCES. GOB BELIEVED PRECISION OF THE WEAPON LOWERED THE THRESHOLD FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS USE. MAGALHAES OPINED THAT US SHOULD NOT BE SURPRISED IF OPPOSITION TO INTRODUCTION OF THE NEUTRON BOMB SURFACED IN THE SSOD, AND IMPLIED THAT BRAZIL MIGHT BE PART OF THAT OPPOSITION.

4. COMMENT. IN THE COURSE OF DISCUSSIONS ABOUT UNSYG REPORT MAGALHAES LET SLIP THAT ITAMARATY HAD DECIDED NOT TO ASK GOB ARMED FORCES' MINISTRIES FOR INPUTS TO REPORT THIS YEAR, AND IMPLIED MILITARY WOULD MISUNDERSTAND REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE SUCH INFORMATION. HE ALSO ALLUDED TO PROBLEMS GOB WOULD HAVE IN SEPARATING OUT CIVIL DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES UNDER MILITARY BUDGETS FROM ACTUAL SECURITY EXPENDITURES.
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